

Remarks

Claims 1 through 7 and claims 9 through 18 remain pending in the application.

The claims are rejected on double patenting grounds as unpatentable over co-pending applications 10/427,645, 10/464,806 and 11/084,506. These applications have issued as 6,939,315, 7,008,388, 7,166,082, respectively. Terminal disclaimers for the issued patents are provided.

A new declaration signed by inventor Kenneth H. Mollenauer has been provided, and the declaration of Darren R. Sherman will be provided upon receipt.

Conclusion

This response has addressed all of the Examiner's grounds for rejection. The rejections based on prior art have been traversed. Reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of the claims is requested.

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